

CLAIMS:

1. A method for producing single crystal silicon by which the single crystal silicon is produced by dipping a seed crystal in a melt and pulling the seed crystal up along an axial direction thereof, wherein

the seed crystal is pulled up in a state in which a $\langle 110 \rangle$ crystal orientation is inclined with respect to the axial direction of the seed crystal.

2. A method for producing single crystal silicon by which the single crystal silicon is produced by dipping a seed crystal in a melt and pulling the seed crystal up along an axial direction thereof, comprising:

a step of preparing the seed crystal in which a $\langle 110 \rangle$ crystal orientation is inclined at a predetermined angle θ with respect to the axial direction;

a dislocation network elimination step of gradually reducing a diameter of the single crystal silicon to d_1 after the seed crystal has been brought into contact with the melt; and

a slip dislocation elimination step of further growing the single crystal silicon by a length of at least $d_1/\tan \theta$, while maintaining the diameter thereof at almost d_1 .

3. The method for producing single crystal silicon according to claim 1, wherein

the direction of inclining the $\langle 110 \rangle$ crystal orientation with respect to the axial direction of the seed crystal is a direction of rotation about another $\langle 110 \rangle$ crystal orientation, which is in a perpendicular positional relationship with the $\langle 110 \rangle$ crystal orientation, as a rotation axis.

4. The method for producing single crystal silicon according to claim 2, wherein the direction of inclining the $\langle 110 \rangle$ crystal orientation with respect to the axial direction of the seed crystal is a direction of rotation about another $\langle 110 \rangle$ crystal orientation, which is in a perpendicular positional relationship with this $\langle 110 \rangle$ crystal orientation, as a rotation axis.

5. A method for producing single crystal silicon wafer by which the single crystal silicon wafer is produced by dipping a seed crystal in a melt, growing the seed crystal into a single crystal silicon ingot by pulling it along an axial direction thereof, and slicing the single crystal silicon ingot, comprising:

a pulling step of pulling and growing the seed crystal into a single crystal silicon ingot in a state in which a $\langle 110 \rangle$ crystal orientation is inclined at a predetermined angle θ with respect to the axial direction of the seed crystal; and

a slicing step of slicing the single crystal silicon ingot in a direction perpendicular or almost perpendicular to the $\langle 110 \rangle$ crystal orientation to take out the single crystal silicon wafer.

6. A method for producing single crystal silicon wafer by which the single crystal silicon wafer is produced by dipping a seed crystal in a melt, growing the seed crystal into a single crystal silicon ingot by pulling it along an axial direction thereof, and slicing the single crystal silicon ingot, comprising:

a step of preparing the seed crystal in which a $\langle 110 \rangle$ crystal orientation is inclined at a predetermined angle θ with respect to the axial direction;

a dislocation network elimination step of gradually reducing a diameter of the single crystal silicon to d_1 after the seed crystal has been brought into contact with the melt;

a slip dislocation elimination step of further growing the single crystal silicon by a length of at least $d_1/\tan \theta$, while maintaining the diameter thereof at almost d_1 ;

an ingot producing step of pulling the seed crystal to produce the single crystal silicon ingot; and

a slicing step of slicing the single crystal silicon ingot in a direction perpendicular or almost perpendicular to the $\langle 110 \rangle$ crystal orientation to take out the single crystal silicon wafer.

7. The method for producing single crystal silicon wafer according to claim 5, wherein the direction of inclining the $\langle 110 \rangle$ crystal orientation at a predetermined angle θ with respect to the axial direction of the seed crystal is a direction of rotation about another $\langle 110 \rangle$ crystal orientation, which is in a perpendicular positional relationship with the $\langle 110 \rangle$ crystal orientation, as a rotation axis.

8. The method for producing single crystal silicon wafer according to claim 6, wherein the direction of inclining the $\langle 110 \rangle$ crystal orientation at a predetermined angle θ with respect to the axial direction of the seed crystal is a direction of rotation about another $\langle 110 \rangle$ crystal orientation, which is in a perpendicular positional relationship with the $\langle 110 \rangle$ crystal orientation, as a rotation axis.

9. The method for producing single crystal silicon wafer according to claim 5, wherein the predetermined angle θ at which the $\langle 110 \rangle$ crystal orientation is inclined with respect to the axial direction of the seed crystal is within a range of $0.6^\circ \leq \theta \leq 10^\circ$.

10. The method for producing single crystal silicon wafer according to claim 6, wherein the predetermined angle θ at which the $\langle 110 \rangle$ crystal orientation is inclined with respect to the axial direction of the seed crystal is within a range of $0.6^\circ \leq \theta \leq 10^\circ$.
11. A seed crystal for producing single crystal silicon, which is used for producing the single crystal silicon by a CZ method, wherein a $\langle 110 \rangle$ crystal orientation is inclined with respect to an axial direction.
12. The seed crystal for producing single crystal silicon according to claim 11, wherein the direction of inclining the $\langle 110 \rangle$ crystal orientation with respect to the axial direction of the seed crystal is a direction of rotation about another $\langle 110 \rangle$ crystal orientation, which is in a perpendicular positional relationship with the $\langle 110 \rangle$ crystal orientation, as a rotation axis.
13. A single crystal silicon ingot produced by a CZ method, wherein a $\langle 110 \rangle$ crystal orientation is inclined at a predetermined angle θ with respect to an axial direction.
14. The single crystal silicon ingot according to claim 13, wherein the direction of inclining the $\langle 110 \rangle$ crystal orientation at a predetermined angle θ with respect to the axial direction of the single crystal silicon ingot is a direction of rotation about another $\langle 110 \rangle$ crystal orientation, which is in a perpendicular positional relationship with the $\langle 110 \rangle$ crystal orientation, as a rotation axis.

15. The single crystal silicon ingot according to claim 13, wherein
the predetermined angle θ at which the $\langle 110 \rangle$ crystal orientation is inclined with respect
to the axial direction of the single crystal silicon ingot is within a range of $0.6^\circ \leq \theta \leq 10^\circ$.
16. A single crystal silicon wafer taken out by slicing a single crystal silicon ingot produced
by a CZ method,
the single crystal silicon wafer being taken out by slicing the single crystal silicon ingot,
in which a $\langle 110 \rangle$ crystal orientation is inclined at a predetermined angle θ with respect to an
axial direction, in a direction perpendicular or almost perpendicular to the $\langle 110 \rangle$ crystal
orientation.